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Shooter in West Capitol Ave. killing is denied parole

A man convicted in a shooting death in West Sacramento back in 2000 was denied parole last month.

The Yolo County District Attorney's office reported that a panel of the state board of parole hearings denied parole for David Cree, 34.

Cree (then 20) and companion Jessie Lampkin were driving on West Capitol Avenue on Oct. 8, 2000, after a night of drinking, said the D.A.'s office. They drove past Jimmy Lee Richardson and Gregory Rowan, and Cree believed Richardson might have previously assaulted him.

Cree pulled the car over and asked "Where are the girls?"

Then he fired a sawed-off shotgun at the pair. Richardson died, and Rowan was seriously injured.

Cree was convicted of second-degree murder and other charges, and was sentenced to 15 years to life in state prison. Lampkin was also convicted of murder. His conviction was overturned although he later served time for manslaughter.

The parole board believed Cree's release posed an "unreasonable risk" to the public. He's eligible for another hearing in 2017, although he may request earlier hearing date.

Local 'Knights of Columbus' receive honor

A West Sacramento fraternal group reports it won an honor for the 2013-2014 service year.

The Knights of Columbus Council #9469 were named a "Star Council" chapter.

"The award recognizes overall excellence in areas of membership recruitment and retention, promotion of the fraternal insurance program, and sponsorship of service-oriented activities," said the organization.

Knights of Columbus is a Catholic lay organization with 1.8 million members spread over 15,000 councils internationally.

Grand Night Glen Mochel, head of the local council, called the award "quite an honor for us."

Hats: for ladies and reptiles

West Sac woman's novelty project gets national attention

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

December 20 turned out to be "the best birthday ever!" reports Cindy Breninger of Southport.

That day, a sketch of her little tortoise in a handmade decorative "hat" was part of a front-page article in the Wall Street Journal. The article explored people who put holiday focus on their pets.

Shortly afterward, "Neil" the tortoise also made appearances on Fox 40 and Good Day Sacramento.

Neil is a little guy, not even six inches in diameter.

"He's kind of a smaller one," said Breninger. "He's around six years old, but you never really know with tortoises. We got him August 10, 2012. He's named after Neil Armstrong (first man on the moon), who was my son's hero."

Breninger is a legal secretary at her day job, but a side-business helped give rise to Neil's holiday hat.

"I have an 'Etsy' business," said Breninger. "I make 'fascinators,' those mini top hats that ladies wear. Princess Kate wears a lot of 'fascinators.' So I put one on Neil."

"Etsy" is a website that plays host to crafters who sell hand-made goods. Breninger sells her people hats and now her tortoise hats there at her online shop called "Deerwood Creek Gifts." The shop name comes from Breninger's childhood home on Deerwood Street in West Sacramento, which had a "sort of" creek behind it.

"One lady bought two hats for her tortoises – matching Santa hats!" said Breninger.

Has the local and national attention gone to Neil's head at all?

"Maybe a little bit," allowed Breninger.

CINDY BRENINGER bought several copies of the Wall Street Journal from the Southport Starbucks after her business received a front-page mention on Dec. 20. A sketch of her tortoise, 'Neil,' appeared at the bottom of the page.
(Photo by her son, Brandon Potts)

LEFT: Six-inch wide Neil the tortoise got his 15 minutes of fame last month, with TV and newspaper appearances. Here is he modeling a pair of New Year's hats.

(Courtesy of Cindy Breninger)

More than books: library offers stuff to do for kids, adults

Looking for something to do? Remember, the local Arthur F. Turner Branch Library at 1212 Merkley Avenue offers a variety of free, general-interest activities. Here's a sample:

All Things String – 2nd Thursday and 4th Wednesday of the month at 6pm: Whether you knit, crochet, embroider, or enjoy other fiber arts, this social crafting circle is for you! Bring your current project or start something new!

Evening Book Club – January 21st at 6pm: Books are collected and distributed at the meetings. Please contact Cindy at 916-731-5504 for more information.

Pinterest Party – Thursday, January 22nd at 6pm: Try your hand at classic DIY activities from Pinterest. Free. All materials are provided.

Tales for Tails – Monday, January 26th at 4pm: Come read to up to five (!) therapy dogs who LOVE to listen to stories. A free program for children ages 4 to 12. Provided by the Lend a Heart Lend a Hand Animal-Assisted Therapy Group.

Fire and Ice – Monday, January 31st at 2pm: Families are invited to join us for a science show presented by Mad Science of Sacramento

Regular Ongoing programs (Starting January 12th) include:

Weekly Story Times
Spanish/English Story Time - Saturdays at 11:30am
Russian Story Time - Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Buddy Reading – Mondays at 4:30 pm: Practice reading with an older "buddy". Each child will be paired up with a high school student from the River City High School Interact Club for a 30-minute reading session. **Reservations are required.**

Homework Center – Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm: For students in grades 3 through 8. Must pre-register.

Subscription rates:

Effective Feb. 1 (and for subscriptions due to be renewed that month), the News-Ledger will be raising its annual subscription rates by $5.

It will be the first time our rates have gone up in over two decades. Our costs, like most expenses, have increased greatly during that time.

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Thank you for your support and your understanding.

POLICE LOG

News items below are collected from police dispatchers' notes and arrest reports. The information in them has often not been verified beyond the initial reports.

Dec. 24, 2:13 p.m.
Police responded to a report of a "subject with a gun" in front of a Riverpoint Court department store:

"The gun was found to be a replica Airsoft Glock 18 handgun. A records check of (subject) revealed him to have three warrants and on probation out of Sacramento County." He was arrested and booked.

Dec. 30, 10:24 a.m.
Near West Capitol Avenue and Harbor Boulevard, an officer pulled over a 26-year old Sacramento man driving without a seatbelt.

The officer noted seeing marijuana "in plain sight behind the driver seat and a glass smoking pipe was observed in the driver door pocket."

Also found were "items used to manufacture concentrated cannabis," including butane gas, a pipe with concentrated residue still in it, 345 grams of marijuana in the form of a "marijuana shake" and 36.39 grams of liquid concentrated cannabis, in a form known as "honey oil."

The man was also believed to be driving impaired. He was arrested on drug charges.

Jan. 1, 2:27 a.m.
An officer pulled over a 34-year old woman from Touchstone Place seen speeding on Jefferson Boulevard at Stone Boulevard. The woman showed signs of driving under the influence. She took a blood alcohol test, registering 0.13 percent (the legal limit is 0.08 percent). She was arrested for DUI.

Jan. 1, 10 a.m.
A car parked at a Rivermont Street home was found burglarized. A Visa card was stolen.

Jan. 1, 11:12 a.m.
According to a pair of related police documents, an incident at a Reed Avenue home started after a man visiting from Woodland left his cell phone there at a New Year's Eve party.

"The homeowner went through the phone and found that (the Woodland man) had bee sleeping with one of (the resident's) cousin's girlfriends."

The Woodland man returned to the home,

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There is, evidently, a stupider sex

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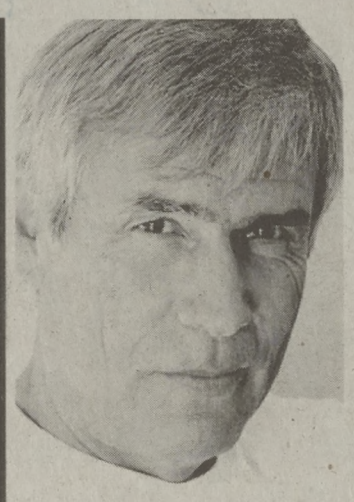

By Daryl Fisher

I was chatting with a very bright friend of mine the other day and the conversation somehow turned to the subject of who is smarter -- men or women.

"Women have always been smarter than men," my female friend assured me matter-of-factly. "Most men just don't know it, or refuse to believe it."

"What do you mean?" I asked with interest.

"Well," she continued, obviously warming to the task, "more women have college and university degrees now than men do, not to mention graduate degrees. They also have higher grade-point-averages than men, and that starts as early as grade school. And studies have shown that women's IQ's are on average almost three points higher than men."

"Is that right?" I said, although I wasn't really surprised by any of that information, since when I was in college and needed a way to somehow pass my mathematics classes, I instinctively knew that it was much better to cheat off of a girl's test paper than one of the guy's.

"Not only that," added my friend, "but women higher education students take their studies much more serious than guys do and tend to graduate more quickly. And did you know that the human brain begins as an essentially female structure until it is altered by the onrush of the male hormone testosterone during early development? That probably accounts for the fact that girls usually speak sooner than boys, learn to read more easily than boys, and have fewer learning disorders."

"But aren't men's brains larger?" I asked, remembering a long ago science lecture where the professor went on and on about that fact.

"They are, but they are also more easily damaged by the aging process, so as women get older, their brains age much better. In fact, men lose brain tissue at almost three times the rate of women, curbing such things as their memory, attention span, mental flexibility, concentration, and reasoning power, which by the way, are all really good reasons for not letting a bunch of old men run the world like we continue to do nowadays! It's not an accident, you know, that men have been responsible for starting all of the wars down through the centuries."

"Well," I said in defense of men everywhere, "that may all be true, but there are all kinds of different ways to go about being smart, and the most important lessons I have learned in my life didn't happen in a classroom. In fact, I think most men would tell you that they would much rather be `street smart' than `book smart'."

"So, no matter how much evidence there is to the contrary, you are still going to deny that women are simply smarter than men?"

"I didn't say that. I just think women are different from men, not necessarily smarter than them. For instance, I once wrote a column about how men and women don't laugh at the same things. Women are more likely to enjoy humor that involves longer narratives, or memories that have some kind of emotional content, while men like slapstick and stuff like the Three Stooges. So, although men and women laugh at very different things, they are still all laughing, and that's the important thing. And here's another example of what I mean. I read somewhere that on average, women talk about twice as much each day as men do. Now that doesn't make women twice as smart as men, only different from men, and how much men and women talk goes all the way back to the caveman days, while the human brain was still evolving."

"The caveman days?"

"That's right. You see, for millions of years, men were hunters and women were gatherers. Men hunted in packs and they didn't need to do much talking."

"And why was that?"

"Because they didn't want to scare away all the animals they were out there trying to kill. But on the other hand, when women went out gathering their roots and nuts and berries and stuff like that, they talked as much and as loud as they could."

"Why?"

"So they would scare away all the nearby lions and tigers and not get eaten by them. Oh, and in the process of doing all that talking, women became more verbal, making the corpus callosum in their brain much bigger, which by the way, is why men's feelings are all bottled up in their right hemisphere, which makes it harder for us to talk about emotional things."

"I thought we were talking about women being smarter than men, not the fact that you have a small corpus callosum. You're just trying to change the subject so that you won't have to admit that women are smarter than men."

"Well," I said, grasping for straws, "if you women are so darn smart, then how come you are always getting yourself into bad relationships with us stupid men?"

"It's God's way of keeping us humble."

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Obituary

Walter J. Bone

Walter Bone passed away peacefully on December 27, 2014 in Sacramento at the age of 65. He was the beloved father of Staci Bone (Chris) and Scott Bone (Blanche); the loving brother of Linda Thiede, Brenda, Michael, and Greg Bone; and the devoted grandfather of Sean and Walker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Barbara, and his brother, Bruce.

Walter honorably served his country in the Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a general contractor for over 35 years and lived in West Sacramento for over 40 years.

Friends are invited to attend graveside services with military honors on January 13, 2015 at 11:30 am at the Sacramento Valley VA National Cemetery, 5810 Midway Road in Dixon, California. Donations are preferred to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675. Arrangements handled by River Cities Funeral Chapel of West Sacramento.

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The California State Railroad Museum, located in Old Sacramento, is now recruiting for volunteers (18 or older) who are interested in helping communicate the West's fascinating heritage of railroading. For those interested there will be a drop-in Volunteer Open House on January 24 from 1-3 pm in the Stanford Gallery, located at 111 I Street in Old Sacramento State Historic Park, with applications being accepted through January 30. For volunteer applications go to http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page id=25583. Training starts Feb. 9.

As part of a continuing interactive program happening on the third Saturday of each month, Sutter's Fort State Historic Park will present a special "Hands on History: Trappers, Trades and Treaties" event on January 17th from 10 am to 5 pm.

There will be cannon firing and musket demonstrations throughout the day and visitors will step back in time to the 1840s to learn about trapping and trading and much more. Cost is $7 for adults and $5 for ages 6-17. For more information call 445-4422 or visit www.suttersfort.org.

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Liking the new bridge

As a Southport resident I have already enjoyed driving on the new Mike McGowan Bridge near my home. Not only does it shave a few minutes off driving, the bridge is a good start for diverting heavy traffic from Jefferson Boulevard.

Mike McGowan is deserving of the bridge's name (see Mike McGowan: the man whose name is on that new bridge", News-Ledger, December 3, 2014) for playing an important role in making West Sacramento a good place to live.

Thanks to Jay Davidson, senior civil engineer at the City of West Sacramento for addressing my initial concerns, such as cars using the bridge as a "pass through" and to the city council for promptly going forward with the project.

Keep up the good work, City of West Sacramento!

DAVID PAUL
West Sacramento

Buses & carts

(Editor's note: Author Bill Lowell speaks below about the need for a new shopping cart design that can fit aboard public buses -- something like an airline carry-on bag with wheels and a handle).

For bus-riding shoppers and retailers, a major tool is often missing: we need a tall, medium-size suitcase-shaped shopping cart which would fit between forward-facing bus seats. The right shape is particularly important for YoloBus riders, since recent insurance rules prohibit use of the front flip seats and over 90% of shopping carts, when filled, do not fit between forward-facing seats. This lack of right size/right shape personal shopping cart availability not only discourages shopping in Yolo County, but appears to be a major reason so many retailers' commercial shopping carts are "borrowed" without being returned.

While the homeless take many such carts, retailers would greatly reduce such costs and attract more preferred customers by offering the public such a suitcase-shaped shopping cart.

WILLIAM A. LOWELL
West Sacramento

Adopt a dog, cat

(Editor's note: although we weren't able to publish this letter before the holidays, we thought it is still a timely topic)

The Yolo County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services Section would like to thank our community for their on-going support for shelter animals throughout the year. Nearly 3,600 at risk animals (lost, homeless or unwanted) entered our doors in Yolo County last calendar year. Your generosity created life-saving outcomes for more that 90 percent of them! During this season of giving and sharing we hope you will continue to help us provide for homeless shelter animals now and in the future.

Part of this effort is 'Homes for the Holidays!' Old policies in the industry state pets should not be adopted as gifts. This belief, however, is counter to research by the ASPCA which indicates dogs and cats obtained as gifts are actually more likely to stay within those homes, whether the pet is a surprise or not! Help us support that theory!

If you or someone you know are considering providing a home for a shelter pet there are 11 medium to small dogs and 11 adult cats and 6 kittens which would love to be in a new home for the holidays! Recommendations for success when adopting pets as gifts are to consider the recipient's interest in adopting, their lifestyle, make sure parents of young children are ready to be a caregivers and their schedule will help assure an easy transition into the new home. If you or your friends are not ready for the commitment of adopting you are encouraged to volunteer; help with fostering, shelter care, laundry, and socialization and office tasks. Last year 429 cats and dogs were helped by our foster program; some underage and many that needed a temporary home prior to finding their forever fit. Check out our Facebook page and if you love it, like it!

Animal Services, located at 140-C Tony Diaz Drive, Woodland is accepting donations of liquid laundry detergent; used to wash animal bedding, dry or canned pet food, especially cat food for Mouse's Pantry, new or gently used towels or wash cloths and lap size acrylic blankets. Toys are also welcome; for cats they must be washable and toys for dogs should be hard nylabone or Kong type; nothing with fabric stuffing as they are not safe for shelter dogs. Tax-deductable monetary donations are always welcome; it can be a general donation or designated for such things as helping with spay and neuter or surgical needs for injured homeless strays.

Yolo County Sheriff's Office, Animal Services Section at (530) 668-5287.

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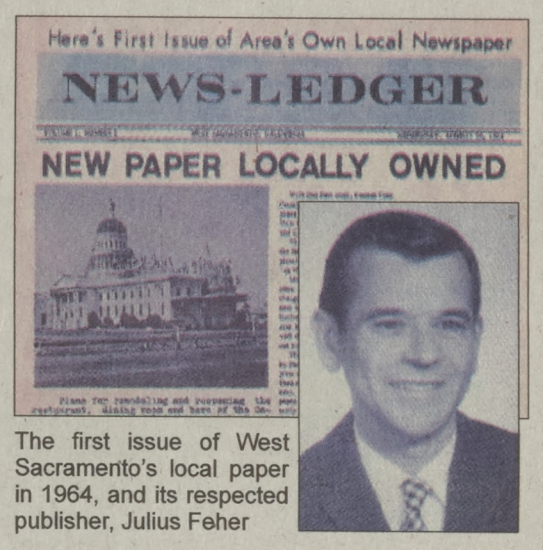
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and punched the resident in the face "approximately 20 times." The resident called police after the man left, saying he wanted to press charges.

A West Sacramento officer stopped the suspect on Old River Road, citing him on assault charges and then releasing him.

Jan., 1, 12:45 p.m.

From Mandura Street:

"Unknown suspects came into victim's open garage and took victim's mountain bike. Suspects then left their beach cruiser bike at the scene."

The stolen bike was valued at $699.

Jan. 1, 7:30 p.m.

A woman on Greenwood Avenue reported that someone had slashed the tires on her car, slashed its airbags and "keyed" the paint job.

Jan. 2, 1:53 a.m.

A 24-year old transient reported he was robbed of his cell phone ($120) along the 800-block of West Capitol Avenue.

Jan. 2, 7:12 a.m.

A 41-year old man went to the home of a 75-year old man on Myrtle Street, where he had previously lived. After asking for water, he punched the resident in the face. Reported a responding officer:

"I attempted to detain the suspect in handcuffs due to the nature of the crime, the fact that he had a pair of garden shears, and his baggy clothing. I also suspected him to be under the influence of methamphetamine. During my attempt to detain (him), the suspect forcibly pushed me backwards and I fell to the ground on my back. I got back up and directed (him) to the ground, where I was able to handcuff him."

The man was arrested for battery and for elder abuse. A suspected drug pipe was found on him.

Jan 2, 3:26 p.m.

Someone used a counterfeit $100 bill to pay for food in the cafeteria of an Ikea Court store.

Jan. 2, 9:36 p.m.

An officer pulled over a 44-year old Sacramento woman for a vehicle code violation on the 1200-block of West Capitol. She appeared to be under the influence of a stimulant.

She was arrested. 5.1 grams of methamphetamine, a narcotics pipe and a hypodermic needle were found in her purse. She went to jail.

Jan 3, 3:10 p.m.

A 36-year old Eureka woman was detained for trying to shoplift $201.90 worth of items from a home supply store on Riverpoint Court store. Police cited and released her.

Jan. 3, 4:44 p.m.

Loss prevention workers at a West Capitol grocery store detained a 40-year old Sacramento woman for trying to steal six packs of Bic lighters, worth about $41. She was cited by police and released.

Jan. 4, 1:46 a.m.

An officer contacted a 60-year old F Street man at the corner of Jefferson and West Capitol. A records check showed he was wanted on a Yolo County warrant. The man admitted to having three 'meth pipes' and some methamphetamine in his pockets. The officer found the pipes and 1.7 grams of the drug.

The subject was jailed.

Jan. 4, 6:59 a.m.

A 32-year old woman on F Street told police that, during an altercation, her mother had grabbed her shoulder, leaving a visible injury. Officers took a report.

Jan. 4, 10 a.m.

An Oxnard man said he had parked his car at a Stillwater Road motel. It's window was found broken, and a credit card was missing.

Jan. 4, 4:50 p.m.

A 50-year old West Capitol man was cited and released after being caught trying to shoplift $14.95 worth of items from a Riverpoint Court store. Drug paraphernalia was also found on him.

Jan. 4, 10:45 p.m.

Police contacted a 32-year old man at a Westacre Road fast food place, after the man "allegedly made death threats to an employee."

There was a warrant for the man's arrest, and he was jailed.

State & federal government again fund West Sac police traffic safety programs

West Sacramento police will get $91,000 to use for drunk driving checkpoints, seat belt enforcement and other traffic programs

West Sacramento's police department announced last month that it will receive renewed funding for DUI checkpoints and other traffic enforcement.

The department has been awarded a $ 91,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program of special enforcements and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries, it reported. West Sacramento Police Department will use the funding as part of the city's ongoing commitment to keep our roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and education.

"After falling dramatically between 2006 and 2010, the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions saw slight increases in 2011 and 2012," said the W.S.P.D. statement. "Particularly worrisome are recent increases in pedestrian and motorcycle fatalities and the dangers of distracting technologies. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat these and other devastating problems such as drunk and drugged driving and speeding."

"California's roadways are still among the safest in the nation," said OTS Director Rhonda Craft in a press statement. "But to meet future mobility, safety, and sustainability objectives, we must create safer roadways for all users. The West Sacramento Police Department will be using these and other resources to reach the vision we all share – Toward zero deaths, every 1 counts."

Activities that the grant will fund include:

- DUI checkpoints
- DUI saturation patrols
- Motorcycle safety enforcement
- Distracted driving enforcement
- Seat belt and child safety seat enforcement
- Speed, red light, and stop sign enforcement
- Warrant service operations targeting multiple DUI offenders
- Compilation of DUI "Hot Sheets," identifying worst-of-the-worst DUI offenders
- Specialized DUI and drugged driving training such as Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Evaluator (DRE)

Funding for this program is from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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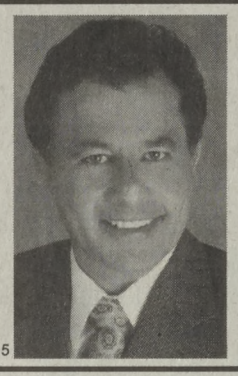

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LOCAL from back page

Using Craigslist

Learn how to buy and sell on Craigslist, the popular internet classified ad site. The library is hosting a free workshop at 9 a.m. on Jan. 6 at 1212 Merkley Avenue. Register in person or by calling 375-6465. A library card and PIN are required.

Pinterest Party

Join the Pinterest Party at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 22 at the library (1212 Merkley Ave.). Try the "classic DIY activities" at the site. Free, materials provided.

Tales for Tails

Kids age 4-12 are invited to practice their reading skills by reading to a patient therapy dog, 4 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 26, at the library (1212 Merkley Ave.)

Fire and Ice

Families are invited to a science show presented by 'Mad Science of Sacramento' at 2 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 31, at the library (1212 Merkley Avenue.). Free.

Tax volunteers

The AARP, which serves the nation's retired persons, will again bring a program of free tax assistance for low and middle-income people from Feb. 1 through April 15. Volunteers are needed to the program, especially to assist in electronic filing of tax returns. The service will be available in West Sacramento. You do not need to be an AARP member or a retiree to volunteer.

For information about volunteering, contact Ron Byrd at nocaltaxaide@outlook.com or visit http://www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Stand up for kids

Yolo CASA, a nonprofit that specializes in advocating for children as they spend time in the foster care system, needs new volunteers. Training provided. Successful volunteers will spend time with the child they're paired with, talk to professionals and caregivers in that child's life, and advocate in the court system for the child's best interests. Call (530) 661-4200 or email volunteer@yolocasa.org. Next training session is in the evenings, Feb. 2. Orientation is noon on Thursdays at 724 Main Street, Ste. 102 in Woodland.

Homework center

Kids in grades 3-8 can receive free homework help on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue. Pre-registration required: visit the library.

'Buddy reading'

Kids in grades K-3 can practice their reading skills by pairing up with a high school volunteer. There are 15-30 minute sessions available Mondays at 4:30 p.m. at the library (1212 Merkley Avenue). No charge, no reservations needed.

Practice English

Learning English? Practice in a fun, relaxed environment at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue. Drop-ins welcome. The group meets 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, 4 p.m. on Thursdays and 10 a.m. on Fridays at 1212 Merkley Avenue.

Kids' story time

The local library hosts story-time for children.

Spanish/English storytime meets Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.

Russian storytime is every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Family storytime is Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.

All sessions are free and meet at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue.

Homework helpers

Volunteer in the homework center, helping kids in grades 3-8. The center is in the library (1212 Merkley Avenue) and is open 3:30-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Volunteers work with the Center Assistant to help kids in subjects such as reading, math and spelling. Contact Abigail Craig, Abigail.Craig@yolocounty.org or 375-6469.

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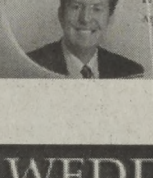

Joke of the week:

A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.

My New Year's resolution is to stop hanging out with people who ask me about my New Year's resolutions.

If 2014 was a person, I'd sue him for pain and suffering and lost wages.

This New Year's I resolve to be less awesome since that is really the only thing I do in excess.

I'll remember 2014 like it was just last week.

May all your troubles last as long as your New Year resolutions.

My New Year's Resolution is to break my New Year's Resolutions....That way I succeed at something!

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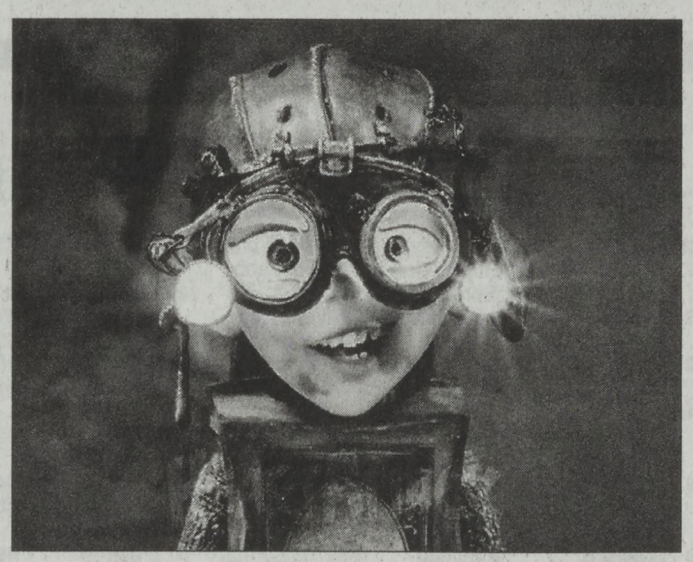
COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEWS

BY SAM STRUCKHOFF

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Boxtrolls" (PG) -- Here's a stop-motion animated feature that is charming in both looks and story. The Boxtrolls are cardboard-clad little dudes who scurry around at night and collect nifty things to bring back to their lair under the little city of Cheesbridge. The townspeople are fooled by the ruling class into fearing the Boxtrolls -- who actually are the whimsical and harmless type of monster. The future lies in the hands of Eggs, a little human boy raised by the trolls, and Winnie, the evil mayor's precocious daughter.

With its handmade look and unique feel, "The Boxtrolls" is a welcome break from the standard kid stuff. LAIKA studios was first introduced to audiences with "Coraline" (which was a bit creepier than it was fun), followed by "ParaNorman" (more fun and still rather creepy). "The Boxtrolls" might be a little unconventional, but they're the monsters you want under your bed.



'The Boxtrolls'

"Lucy" (R) -- In this sorta-sciencey action flick, Scarlett Johansen kicks butts after she is granted the ability to use her whole brain, not just the 10 percent that we regularly use. Well, first off, I gotta burst this Hollywood bubble: People use all of their brains, the "You only use a tiny part" thing is a silly myth. Anyway, Super Scarlett gets her powers when she's forced to be a drug mule, and the crazy super-drug gets into her system. With her mega-brain powers, she goes on a quest to shut down the bad guys and keep the super-drug from getting into the wrong hands.

The whole flick goes off the rails pretty fast, starting with that overused and unproven premise about brains. Things actually get less interesting as Johansen grows more powerful. Director Luc Besson tried the worthless gimmick of splicing nature footage into his film -- like a random clip of a cheetah tackling prey cut into a bit of dialog -- but then seems to forget about it halfway through the movie.

"The Drop" (R) -- Some of the bars in Brooklyn are sketchy enough to be used for "drops" -- criminal enterprises leave money with the bartender, and some Mafia guys come to pick it up later. Bob (Tom Hardy) is a quiet guy working behind the bar. Bob works under his older cousin, Marv (James Gandolfini in his last film role), who's still miffed that Chechen mobsters demoted him in the crime game. It's slow-going for parts of the movie, but Hardy and Gandolfini show their true talents while the story pays off in unexpected ways.

"The Green Prince" (R) -- Terry Gilliam sure knows how to make a nightmarish future look really enchanting. The director of "Brazil" and "Twelve Monkeys" teams up with wunder-actor Christoph Waltz for this wild flick about the painstaking task of calculating the meaning of life. Waltz plays a genius with a serious case of the existential-gloomies. His boss (Matt Damon) has given him the assignment to make a computer that can tell us what existence is for, if anything at all. It's a movie that goes deep into cartoonishly cynical territory, so we can all come out the other side.

TV RELEASES

"Wolfblood: Season 3"
"LEGO Ninjago: Masters of Spinjitzu: Rebooted: Season 3 Part 2"
"Swamp People Season 5"
"Welcome Back, Kotter: Season 2"
"Satisfaction: Season 1"

Books

"Streisand: In the Camera Eye"
by James Spada
(Abrams Books, $40)
Reviewed by Larry Cox

James Spada has compiled his fourth major book about Barbra Streisand. The veteran Hollywood author and journalist's latest effort features a collection of 170 photographs of Streisand chosen for their rarity, beauty and insight. Many are being published for the first time.

The photographs are stunning. There are images taken by such heavy-hitters as Philippe Halsman, Francesco Scavullo, Douglas Kirkland, Bob Willoughby and Cecil Beaton, documenting almost every aspect of Streisand's life and career, from her fabled stage concerts to her moments on the set and Broadway stage.

The most intriguing photographs are the intimate images, such as one taken in May 1966. Streisand, who was two months pregnant, is shown with her then-husband, Elliott Gould, in a London hotel suite. She reveals a vulnerability in the image that is as touching as it is unusual.

The book is divided into seven main parts: Making Up Barbra (1960-1963); Broadway Baby, TV Star (1964-1967); Movie Star (1968-1970); Natural Girl (1970-1975), A Star Is Reborn (1976-1982), Visions (1983-1997) and National Treasure (1998-2013).

An introduction documents some of the intriguing moments in Miss Streisand's early life and formative years. For example, when she was a youngster, she tried on different outfits and experimented with makeup, even using colors from her brother's paint set. She mimicked cigarette commercials in front of mirrors and began to develop what would later become the Streisand style.

This superb collection is supplemented by seven essays by Spada, along with substantial anecdotal and quote-filled captions. This book is a fitting tribute to one of the world's most popular and beloved stars.

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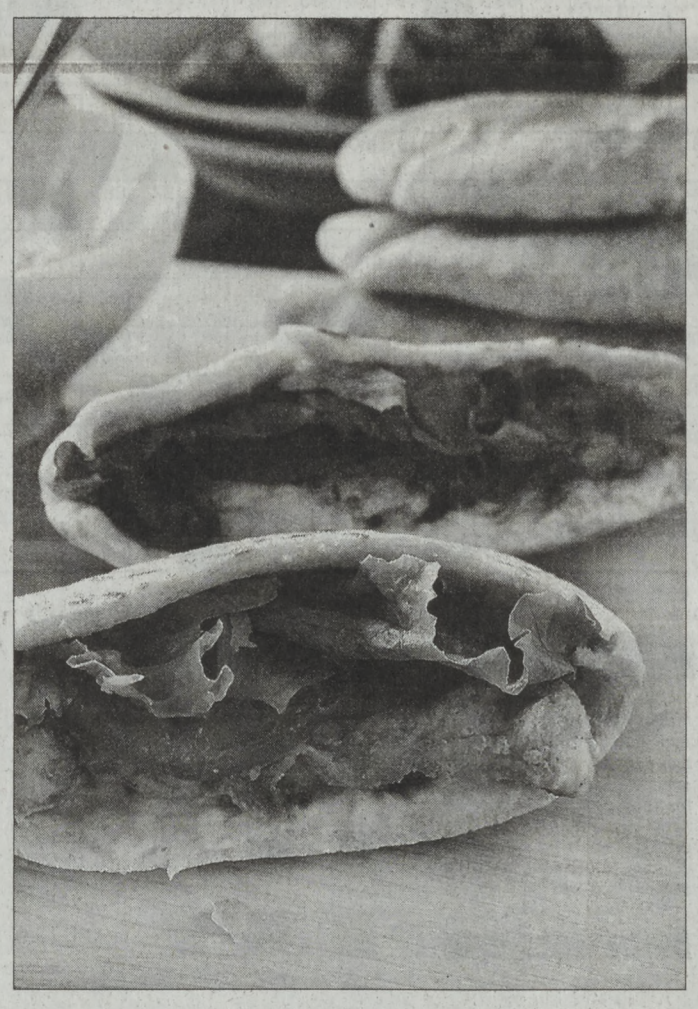
A World of Flavor: What's Hot in 2015



Unlike yoga pants, white trainers and fake fur, the food we eat might be considered more classic than trendy. The fact is, we all need to eat. Basic and vital as it seems though, food, like fashion, is not without its fads.

More than a succession of fads however, is the history behind what and how we eat. In this column we've talked about the how and why of certain foods we've grown up eating, and other foods we've grown to love. Now, more than ever, our cuisine choices reflect our vast multicultural population and the willingness of many of us to try something new. Even children, known for their fussy palates, are trying more complex flavors like macaroni and cheese with truffle oil -- probably due to their forward-eating parents.

In 2015, there is a high-pitched buzz about food. Heat and spice will be hot, a trend that has been growing steadily and now is predicted to explode. Ethnic cuisines from all over the world, with a focus on new and exotic flavors, will take the stage.

Is it because we are just bored and want something else for dinner? Or is it because we now work and live with people from all over the world and, like people do, we share our food, and in the process discover something new that tastes delicious? It's probably all these things, and something more. The health of our nation is a growing concern. In our desire to eat for wellness, we've discovered many elements of global cuisines that possess health benefits we need while keeping our diets interesting and tasty.

Also on the rise are recipes highlighting umami vegetables, which exhibit the "fifth taste" that gives food a pleasant, desirable flavor. Our taste buds are naturally attracted to these foods, which include sweet potatoes, mushrooms and nori. This year, try using a Japanese Seven Spice mixture in your recipes, or a flavorful Middle Eastern Shawarma Spice Blend.

My recipe for Chicken Shawarma converts what has been a restaurant recipe into a dish that can be prepared at home. The Shawarma spice blend is a cure for taste buds that are tired of the same old chicken dish. It's an adventurous way to kick off a new year.

SHAWARMA SPICE MIX

Toasting the spices in a dry pan for 1 minute before using them in a recipe enhances the flavors.

1 tablespoon cumin
1 tablespoon ground coriander
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon ground oregano or thyme
1 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon turmeric
1/2 teaspoon ginger
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/8 teaspoon nutmeg

Mix all ingredients together. This spice mix will keep in an airtight container for about 4 weeks. Makes about 1/4 cup.

CHICKEN SHAWARMA

1 1/2 pounds thinly cut skinless, boneless chicken breast
1 pound thinly cut skinless, boneless chicken thighs
1/2 cup lemon juice
2 tablespoons tomato sauce
4 tablespoons plain, Greek yogurt
3 tablespoons white vinegar
1 head of garlic, crushed
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 1/2 tablespoons Shawarma Spice Mix
3 Roma tomatoes, sliced into thick rounds
4 pita bread rounds

1. Rinse chicken pieces with cold water, then cut horizontally into thinner cuts of about 1/2 inch (each piece could possibly be split into 2 slices depending on thickness). Place chicken pieces in large bowl.

2. In a blender, mix lemon juice, tomato sauce, yogurt, vinegar, garlic, oil and spice mix. Add the mixture to chicken and mix well. Cover and let marinate in refrigerator at least 4 hours, or overnight.

3. When ready, grill marinated chicken and some sliced tomatoes using grill pan on stovetop. Heat grill pan and add 2 tablespoons oil. Or alternately, grill using Panini grill or George Foreman grill for about 15 minutes on medium heat. You also can cook the chicken on a BBQ grill. Baking or broiling in the oven will dry out the chicken.

4. Once cooked, allow chicken to cool, and then shred as thinly as possible. Traditionally, the pita bread is spread with Lebanese Garlic paste, or you can use a good-quality mayonnaise mixed with 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder and 1/2 teaspoon of lemon juice.

5. Spread the chicken shreds along diameter of a piece of pita bread. Some restaurants place French fries inside the sandwich. Others add a cabbage and mayo salad, along with salty Middle Eastern cucumber pickles. You can substitute shredded coleslaw and sliced dill pickles, if desired, and grilled or fresh tomatoes. Makes 4 servings.

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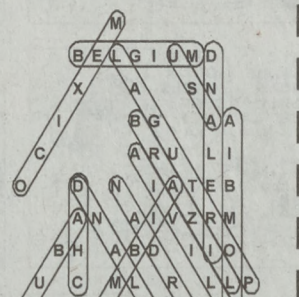

Differences: 1. Blind is raised. 2. Beads are missing. 3. Apron is smaller. 4. Lamp is missing. 5. Letter is different. 6. Bone is missing.

PUZZLES & COMICS

R.F.D. by Mike Marland

SIM, JUNE AND I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE...
SURE! WHAT IS IT, MAY?
ANY CHANCE YOU COULD BACK OFF ON LOADIN' UP THAT WOOD STOVE?!
YEAH, DAD, IT'S LIKE THE TROPICS IN HERE!
MARLAND
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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

AAAAAHH!!
OH MY GOSH, WE'RE DEFINITELY GONNA DIE!
THAT WAS INSANE... LET'S DO IT AGAIN!
DEFINITELY!
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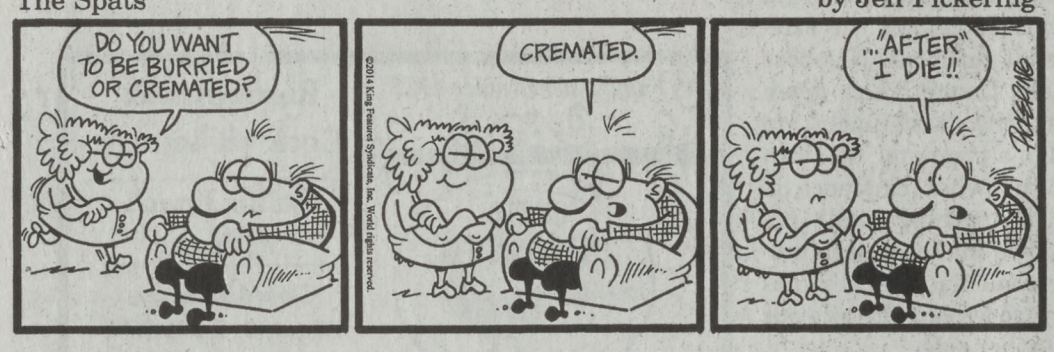
The Spats by Jeff Pickering



Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas

BACK IN THE DAY, WE'D DRIVE AROUND IN OUR CARS AND KISS ALL THE GIRLS.
COOL!
BACK IN THE NIGHT, WE'D FLY AROUND AND BITE ALL THE GIRLS...
COOL!
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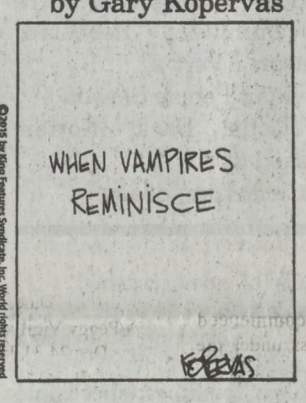

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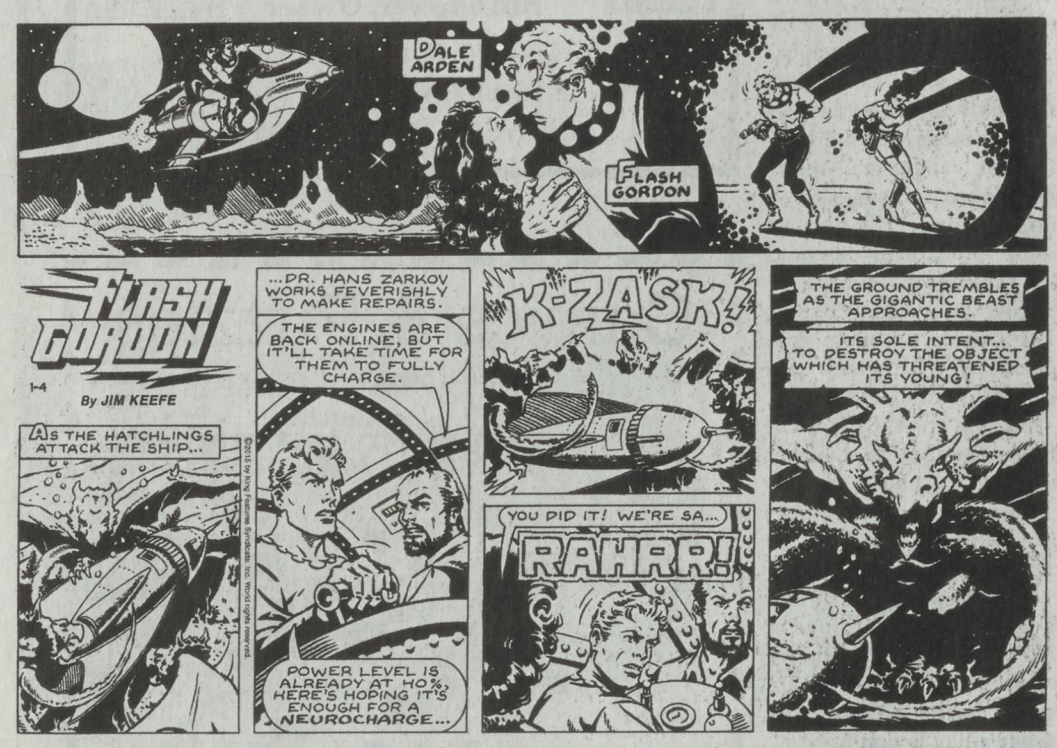
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POWER LEVEL IS ALREADY AT 40%, HERE'S HOPING IT'S ENOUGH FOR A NEUROCHARGE...
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YOU DID IT! WE'RE SA...
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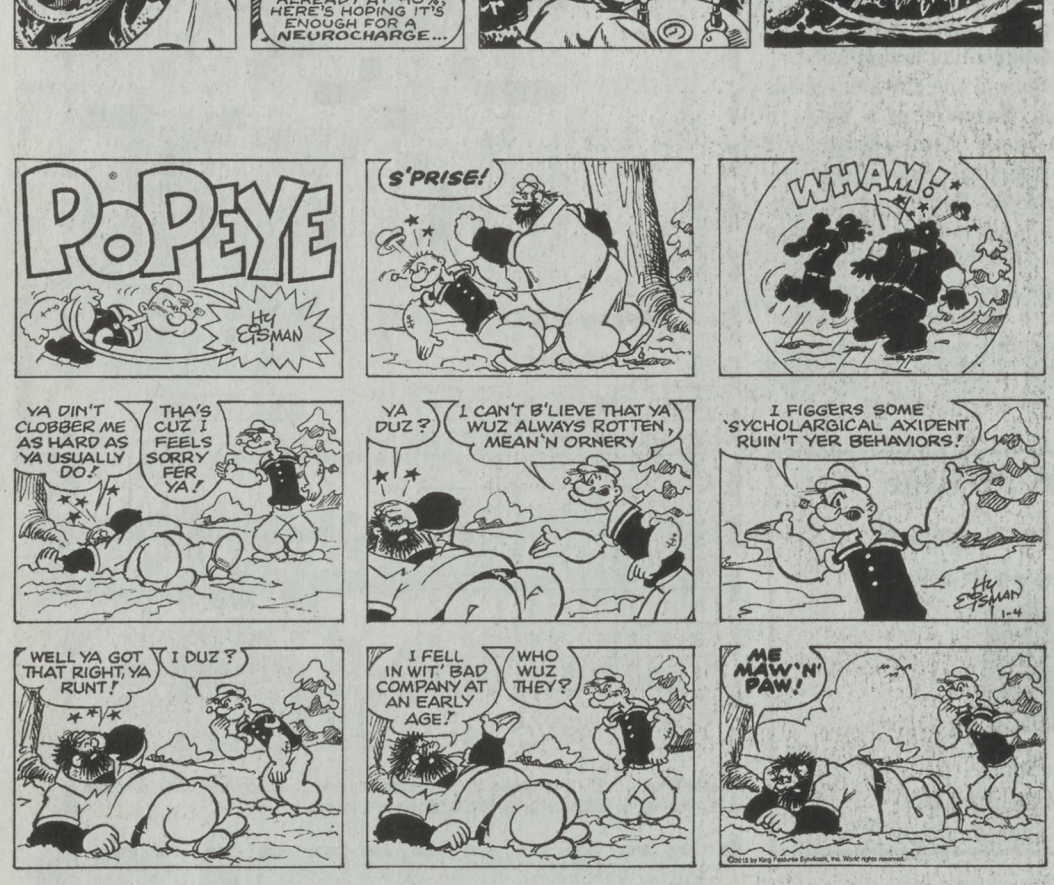
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I FELL IN WIT' BAD COMPANY AT AN EARLY AGE!
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ME MAW'N' PAW!
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Super Crossword

ACROSS
1 Japanese verse
6 Milky white gem
10 Memo opening
14 "Eight Is Enough" actor Willie
19 Game show announcer Johnny
20 Novelist Victor
21 Have a bawl
22 Freshly firm
23 Comedy that should have starred W.C. Fields?
26 Big town, in Italian
27 Sorority "T"
28 With 103-Down, parked it, so to speak
29 Televises
30 Ejection
31 Modus —
33 Novel that should have been written by T.S. Eliot?
35 Hosp. parts
36 Some pizzas
38 Purge
39 Romantic comedy that should have starred B.D. Wong?
43 Épée, say
45 Ethyl ender
46 "Sprechen — Deutsch?"
47 "Very funny!"
50 Yes, in Ypres
51 Tree juices
55 Harpoon, e.g.
57 Off- — -wall
59 Drama that should have starred E.G. Marshall?
62 Muscular power
64 Calgary's province
67 Roof tiles
68 City in Italy or California
69 Song that should have been sung by B.B. King?
72 Roasting rod
73 Baseball game part
75 Catches slyly
76 See 70-Down
78 Pamphlet that should have been written by C.S. Lewis?
81 Pull sharply
83 Kitten sound
84 Lamb raisers
85 Gorged on
86 Golfing unit
89 Depot abbr.
91 José's "day"
92 Nerd's kin
94 Song that should have been sung by B.J. Thomas?
97 Most hip
101 St. Francis' birthplace
104 Comp —
105 Memoir that should have been written by A.A. Milne?
107 Bible book after Ezra
112 Soprano Nilsson
113 Michael of "Superbad"
114 Ex-veep Stevenson
115 Raptors' org.
116 Some Afrikaners
117 Piece that should have been composed by J.S. Bach?
120 Atlas closeup
121 Tehran's land
122 Meadows
123 In good pitch
124 Twisty turns
125 Motown's Marvin
126 Dunaway of "Chinatown"
127 Exacting

DOWN
1 Instructional book
2 Take — of faith
3 Give credit where credit —
4 Walloped in a boxing ring
5 One-piece bodysuits
6 George Burns film
7 Mischievous
8 Taj Mahal locale
9 Mauna —
10 Spinning
11 Female futurist
12 Short-winded
13 Photo —
14 Impeached
15 Defunct record label
16 Glove's kin
17 Acid-alcohol compounds
18 Not dense
24 Stoppage of a plaintiff's legal action
25 Satirist Mort
30 Well drillers
32 Bro., for one
33 Writer Janowitz
34 Scrub clean
37 — -jongg
39 Mrs. Truman
40 Thus far
41 Morgan Freeman film
42 Post-op program
44 Affliction
48 Chamomile drink, maybe
49 Temple table
51 Bite quickly
52 Way of thinking
53 A South African capital
54 Pt. of TBS
56 Makes hazy
58 Em lead-in
60 Poet Angelou
61 Too
63 Big tippler
65 "Muy —" (Spanish for "very good")
66 Teeny-tiny
70 With 76-Across, choose not to take part in
71 Customary
73 Driving peril
74 Chews on
77 Tarkenton of football
79 Nixes a dele
80 Wide shoe width
82 "The Firm" novelist John
87 Hitters' stats
88 Put down, to P. Diddy
90 Sales slips
92 Takes off a roster
93 Wages before overtime
95 Lohan of film
96 Funny Carrey
97 Hack driver
98 Edible bulbs
99 Cruel woman
100 Stowe's slave owner Simon
102 Sacred place
103 See 28-Across
106 Infiniti rival
108 "Family Ties" mom
109 Hole- —
110 "Li'l —"
111 "The Creation" composer
114 District
117 Lively dance
118 Pixieish sort
119 Crude house

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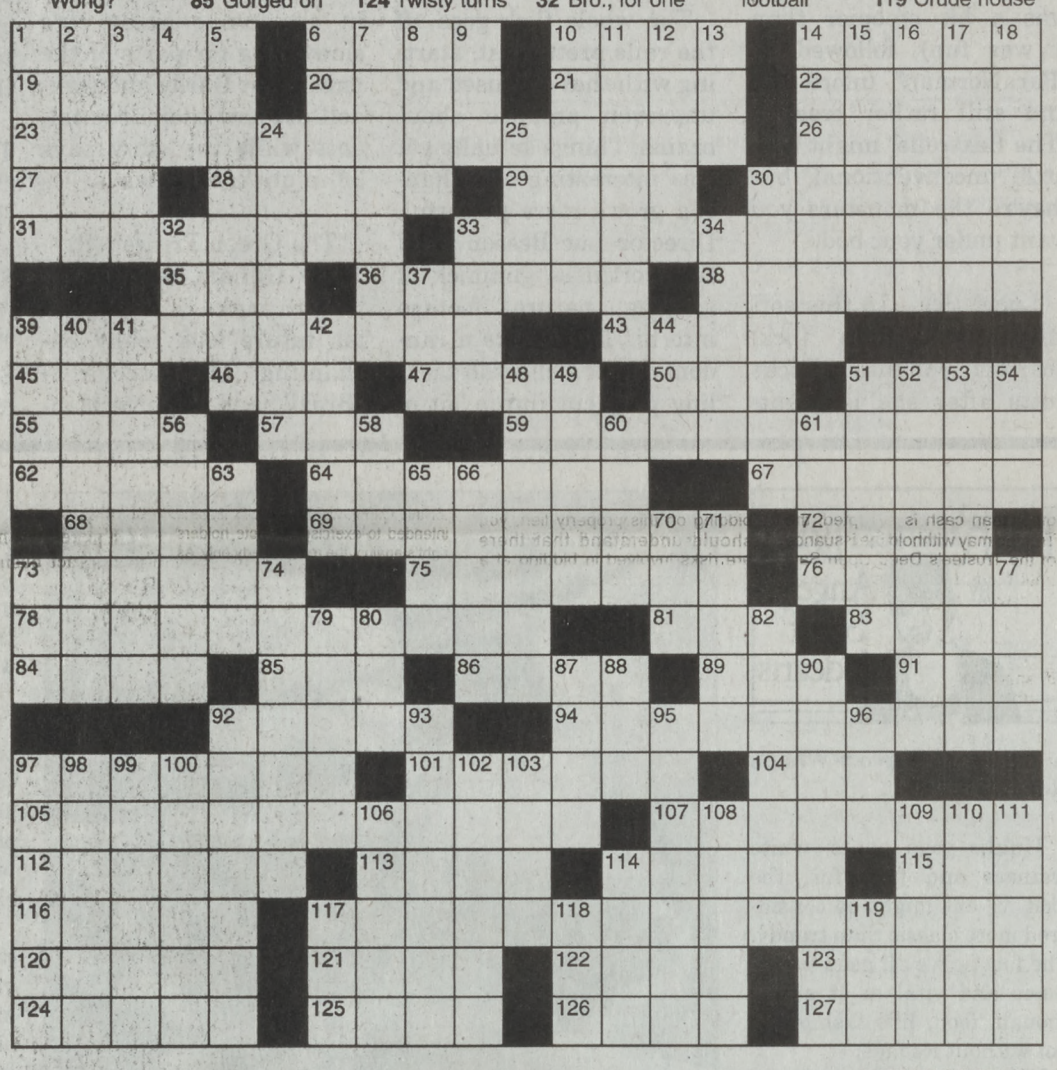

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ★★

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

MAGIC MAZE ● COUNTRIES THAT CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE

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Bolivia	Cuba	Kosovo	U.S.A.
Brazil	Iraq	Mexico	Zambia
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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APN: 014-313-56-0 TS No: CA08001378-13-1 TO No: 5819781 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 2, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 26, 2015 at 12:00 PM, at the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on October 10, 2006, as Instrument No. 2006-0039873-00, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by EDUARDO HERRERA AND GLORIA MACIAS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. as nominee for HSBC MORTGAGE CORPORATION (USA) as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1201 MORSE COURT, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be $263,168.13 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08001378-13-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: December 19, 2014 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08001378-13-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Amy Lemus, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ORDER NO. CA14-001415-1, PUB DATES: 12/31/2014, 01/07/2015, 01/14/2015

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 14-29954 APN: 060-100-006 PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE Section 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/25/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: JOSE H. RAMIREZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE and SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: LAW OFFICES OF LES ZIEVE Deed of Trust recorded 10/30/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0042524-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale: 1/14/2015 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: $507,921.92 Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 17110 Forest Ave Guinda, CA 95637 Described as follows: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust A.P.N #.: 060-100-006 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com , using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-14-636508-BF . Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney.** If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 800-280-2832 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318** Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: **CA-14-636508-BF** IDSPub #0074492 12/24/2014 12/31/2014 1/7/2015

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TTD No.: 20111079562948 Control No.: XXXXXX2439 ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTORS ONLY NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03-13-2006 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 01-28-2015 at 12:00 P.M., TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 03-28-2006, as Instrument No. 2006-0011875-00, in book ///, page ///, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA, executed by MAO ING WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE WEST SACRAMENTO CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, and State described as: APN No.: 014-382-047 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1049 TABER ST WEST SACRAMENTO CA 95605 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale of property will be made in "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $197,663.88 The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should he aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale, or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkasap.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 20111079562948. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 12-30-2014 TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, As Trustee EDDIE TLASECA, Trustee Sale Officer TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY 26540 Agoura Road Suite 102 Calabasas CA 91302 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.lpsasap.com If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. A-4503909 01/07/2015, 01/14/2015, 01/21/2015

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 1, 2014
File No. 2014-1011

The following person is doing business as Amerika Tax Service, 1540 Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento CA 95691, in Yolo County.

Erika L. Cardenas, 1500 Headslane Rd., West Sacramento CA 95691.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/1/2010.

/s/Erika Cardenas

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec 1, 2014
/s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Dec 17 24 31 Jan 7

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 1, 2014
File No. 2014-1014

The following person is doing business as Office Surgery Group, 517 D St., Davis CA 95616, in Yolo County.

Paul Schrupp, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

/s/Paul Schrupp

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec 1, 2014
/s/Kimberli Quam, Deputy Clerk
Dec 17 24 31 Jan 7

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 9, 2014
File No. 2014-1031

The following person is doing business as The Destiny Group; The Comfort Exchange Restaurant, 3182 Saginaw St., West Sacramento CA 95691, in Yolo County.

The Destiny Group, same address.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov 17, 2014.

/s/Daniel Merino
/s/Kent Giacomozzi
The Destiny Group

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec 9, 2014
/s/Peggy Vigil, Deputy Clerk
Dec 17 24 31 Jan 7

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act, (B&P Code 21700 et. .seq.), the undersigned will sell at public auction, on January22nd, 2015, personal property including but not limited to furniture, clothing, tools, and/or other household items located at:

Public Storage 00417
3961 W. Capitol Ave
West Sacramento, CA 95691-2116
(916) 371-0950
Time: 09:30 AM
Stored by the following person (s):
B076 - Mertz, Keiko
Public Storage 21711
1230 Olive Drive
Davis , CA 95616-4706
(530) 753-4752 Time: 11:00AM
Stored by the following person (s):
B053 - Giammichele, Shannon
B082 - rothenberg, cosmos
C103 - Martino, Ronald
C148 - Quincy, Daniel
C153 - Quincy, Daniel

All sales are subject to prior cancellation. Terms, rules and regulations are available at sale. Dated on this 31st Day of December 2014 and 7th Day January 2015, PS Orangeco, Inc., 701 Western Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201, (818) 244-8080, Bond No. 5857632
12/31, 1/7/15
CNS-2700256#
NEWS-LEDGER

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 25, 2014
File No. 2014-1005

The following person is doing business as Burke Spirits, 792 Carbon Ct., West Sacramento CA 95691, in Yolo County.

Burke Spirits LLC, same address.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/1/2014.

/s/Patrick Burke, Sole Member
Burke Spirits, LLC

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Nov 25, 2014
/s/Kimberli Quam, Deputy Clerk
Dec 24 31 Jan 7 14

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 16, 2014
File No. 2014-1049

The following person is doing business as Hoser's Exotic Burgers & Craft Beer, 1350A Harbor Blvd., West Sac. CA 95691, in Yolo County.

Jose L. Silva, 2319 El Camino Ave. Sac. CA 95821.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

/s/Jose L. Silva

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec 16, 2014
/s/Peggy Vigil, Deputy Clerk
Dec 24 31 Jan 7 14

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 10, 2014
File No. 2014-1033

The following person is doing business as Sterling May Equipment Company, Inc., 209 W. Main Street, Woodland CA 95695, in Yolo County.

Sterling May Equipment Company, Inc., same address.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/03/2014.

/s/Laura A. Defty

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec 10, 2014
/s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Dec 24 31 Jan 7 14

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 25, 2014
File No. 2014-1006

The following person is doing business as Energy Systems, 1111 J St., Apt. #59, Davis CA 95616, in Yolo County.

Hasna J. Khan, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Oct. 1, 2014.

/s/Hasna J. Khan

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State of California
County of Yolo
Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Nov 25, 2014
/s/Peggy Vigil, Deputy Clerk
Dec 24 31 Jan 7 14

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Or email it to:
steve@news-ledger.com

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
PT14-1627
PETITION OF Vitaliy Durnov and Nina Karpekin on behalf of Natalia Karpekin, a minor FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Vitaliy Durnov and Nina Karpekin on behalf of Natalia Karpekin, a minor, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name: Vitaliy Durnov; Proposed name: Vitaliy Albertov

Present name: Natalia Karpekin; Proposed name: Natalia Albertov

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Feb. 6, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 2, Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 725 Court St., Woodland CA 95695.

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The News-Ledger.
Date: 19 Dec. 2014
DANIEL P. MAGUIRE
Judge of the Superior Court
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EVA WHITE
CASE NUMBER PB14-201

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of EVA WHITE:

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Craig White in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo.

The Petition for Probate requests that Craig White be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Jan. 15, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 2, Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 725 Court St., Woodland CA 95695, Probate Court.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a "Request for Special Notice" (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A "Request for Special Notice" form is available from the court clerk.
Petitioner: John B. Palley
1555 River Park Drive, Suite 108
Sacramento CA 95815
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Notice of Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property Pursuant to lien sale per California Self Storage Act Chapter 10. Undersigned will sell items at www.StorageBattles.com Sale by competitive bidding on January 13th 2015 starting at 10am. Where said property has been stored at National Self Storage 2600 Evergreen West Sacramento, Ca 95691, Yolo County. The following units I44 Kristin Hill,H11 Christina Marshall, J20 Sierra Elbert,C82 Nancy Rodriquez,C83 Christopher Lichman,D38 Albert Harrell, F88 Crystal Gladue, G76 Lara Beyers Items to be sold not limited to personal property containing boxes, tubs, appliances, TV's, furniture, tools, tool boxes, clothes, mattresses, bedding, toys, bicycles, wood chest, couches, desks, electronics' house hold goods, and other personal belongings. See more online.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2014-1009

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Registered owner(s):
DOLGEN CALIFORNIA, LLC 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company
The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ Steven R. Deckard, CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo on November 26, 2014
NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A New Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code)
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by Thomas McDonald, Chief of Police, West Sacramento Police Department: On 12/15/2014, a thin, white female approximately 40 years old wearing a tan trench coat, white scarf and carrying a green umbrella entered the front lobby of the West Sacramento Police Department. The unknown female left an envelope on the front counter containing an undisclosed amount of money. The envelope had a West Sacramento Officers's name on it.

If you have any information regarding the above mentioned incident, please contact the West Sacramento Police Department Property Division, 916 617-4950 between the hours of 8:30 – 4:30 Monday through Thursday before February 17, 2015.
Dec 31 Feb 11

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 12, 2014
File No. 2014-1043

The following person is doing business as Sacramento Professional Facilitators, 827 Brass Court, West Sacramento, CA 95691, in Yolo County.

Heidi Kolbe & Company, same address.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov 25, 2014.

/s/Heidi R. Kolbe, President
Heidi Kolbe & Company

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

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Space exhibit will reenter the Discovery Museum on Jan. 17

Learn how astronauts eat in space, check out a replica of the Mars Rover 'Opportunity' which has been chugging along the surface of Mars well past its scheduled expiration date.

One of the most popular exhibits at Sacramento's Discovery Museum is Space Quest!, and it returns on January 17. Visitors will learn the latest about the planets and the universe through interactive stations and displays. Special science-interest areas include the elements of the universe, the color and light room, and the bicycle-wheel gyroscope.

The popular Cosmic Café also returns with presentations on how astronauts eat—both in space and on Earth. In this hands-on interactive display, children can serve healthy meals of plastic foods to their families and friends along the eight-foot diner counter.

The Mars Rover, Opportunity, is also on display at the Discovery Museum in 2015. On January 25, 2004, the Mars Exploration Rover Opportunity landed in Meridiani Planum on Mars. Opportunity's mission was scheduled to last 30 Martian days, called Sols. Weekends at the Discovery Museum include the above exhibit, planetarium star shows for ages four years and older, all-ages Family Feature shows, and Science Discovery Weekend activities for children 12 and younger.

All weekend shows and activities are included in the weekend general admission price:

$8 for adults ages 18-59; $7 for teens ages 13-17 and seniors age 60 and older; $6 for children ages 4-12; and Free for children ages 3 and younger

Field trips are available for public, private, charter and home schools. For more information visit www.The-Discovery.org.

GUEST COMMENTARY:

'Becoming a foster parent is not as hard or scary as you think'

By Cherie Schroeder
Yolo County Foster Kinship Care Program

Local families are needed for local foster children, newborns through transitional age youth.

Winter can be harsh on children and families. During the month of November and into early December there was a definite up-swing in the number of children Yolo County DESS brought into protective custody, at no fault of their own, who needed a safe and loving place to call home.

Foster children are the children of our communities. When a local home is not found, these vulnerable kids are often placed miles away from their family of origin, taking them away from services, supports, friends, school, and all that is known to them.

You may ask yourself, "How can I help?"

Becoming a foster home is not as hard or scary as one may think. At the core of quality foster parenting, are traits that include being present and available, flexible, kind and stable. As one local foster mother shared,

"Children in foster care arrive to us from places where joy and safety are scarce. At every turn, I find opportunities to hold a hand, share a smile and to bring out laughter. Delight is found and given from sand between toes, reading a funny book, or giving a goofy smile. My husband and I give lots love and kisses to the precious little person entrusted to our care. These are simple gifts that mean so much to our foster toddler and serve to help put the pieces of her life back together."

The research is clear; a caring committed adult can make a tremendous difference in a child's life. Will you consider opening your home and heart to a child in need? A free and informal "Introduction to Foster Care" workshop is being offered Tuesday evening, January 20th from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at the Child Welfare Office in West Sacramento. We will be in Community Room 1A located at 500 Jefferson Blvd., off Triangle Court, across from the Police Station. Reservations aren't needed; you are welcome to just stop by.

To learn more about Yolo County Foster Care check out our website at www.yolofostercare.com. Questions are welcomed by Recruitment and Retention Specialist, Cherie Schroeder by calling her at (530) 574-1964.

The effects of climate change in the world's most vulnerable regions present a serious threat to American national security interests. As a matter of risk management, the United States must work with international partners, public and private, to address this impending crisis. Potential consequences are undeniable, and the cost of inaction, paid for in lives and valuable U.S. resources, will be staggering. Washington must lead on this issue now.

Countries least able to adapt to or mitigate the impacts of climate change will suffer the most, but the resulting crises will quickly become a burden on U.S. priorities as well. Both the Department of Defense and the State Department have identified climate change as a serious risk to American security and an agent of instability. Without precautionary measures, climate change impacts abroad could spur mass migrations, influence civil conflict and ultimately lead to a more unpredictable world. In fact, we may already be seeing signs of this as vulnerable communities in some of the most fragile and conflict-ridden states are increasingly displaced by floods, droughts and other natural disasters. Protecting U.S. interests under these conditions would progressively exhaust American military, diplomatic and development resources as we struggle to meet growing demands for emergency international engagement.

It is in our national interest to confront the risk that climate change in vulnerable regions presents to American security. We must offer adaptive solutions to communities currently facing climate-driven displacement, support disaster risk reduction measures and help mitigate potential future impacts through sustainable food, water and energy systems. Advancing stability in the face of climate change threats will promote resilient communities, reliable governance and dependable access to critical resources.

We, the undersigned Republicans, Democrats and Independents, implore U.S. policymakers to support American security and global stability by addressing the risks of climate change in vulnerable nations. Their plight is our fight; their problems are our problems. Even as we face budgetary austerity and a fragile economic recovery, public and private sectors must work together to meet the funding demands of this strategic investment in internationally-backed solutions. Effective adaptation and mitigation efforts in these countries will protect our long-standing security interests abroad.

...will be staggering.

Madeleine Albright
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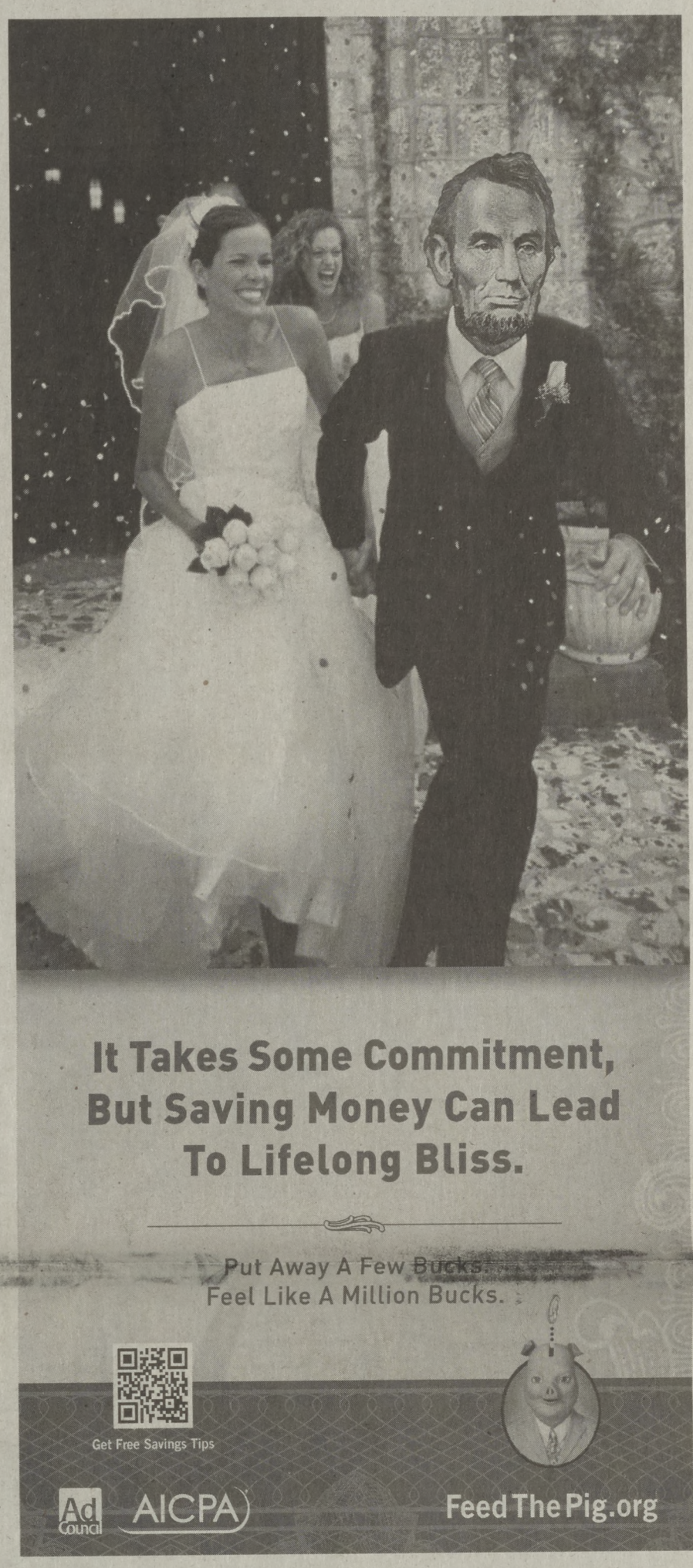

News-Ledger Directory of Local Places of Worship

Looking for a place to worship? Check here first! To find out how to list your place of worship in this directory, email steve@news-ledger.com	**Community Lutheran Church** 920 Drever St., 371-8804 10 a.m. Worship/Sunday School Friendly, inclusive faith language, Progressive thea/logy LGBT, Interfaith folks welcome www.community-lutheran-church.net	**Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church** 911 Park Blvd., 371-4814 Father Nicholas Ho Masses: Sat. Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. Weekdays 7 a.m. No Mass on Thursday
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Local Scene

Telephone area codes are "916" unless otherwise specified.

Food giveaway

Need some help stocking the fridge and pantry?

The Yolo Food Bank is giving away food in West Sacramento and Clarksburg on Tuesday, Jan. 20. The schedule includes:

From 9-10 a.m. at the county building, 500 Jefferson Blvd.; 10:30-11:15 a.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1500 Park Blvd.; 11-noon at Yolo Housing Authority, 685 Lighthouse Drive; and noon to 1 p.m. at the Clarksburg Firehouse.

Please bring a bag, and attend only one site. Information: (530) 668-0690.

Little League

West Sacramento Little League has scheduled two "walk-in" registration dates:

Sign up from 6-8 p.m. on Jan. 9 at Wicked West Pizza or 6-8 p.m. on Jan. 23 at the West Sacramento Recreation Center. Registration deadline is Jan. 24. Information is at www.westsacll.org.

Bingo

The West Sacramento Elks Lodge will hold bingo sessions on Friday nights beginning Jan. 9. Doors and snack bar open at 6 and games begin at 7. $10 buy-in. 423 Third Street. Questions? Call 215-0102.

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The next dinner is potluck style on Jan. 20. Bring a food item to share, or $5 at the door. Bingo will be played after dinner. For information, call Dareld, 372-5119.

Rock the Box

Local and native West Sacramento musicians will headline a concert on Sat., Feb. 7, at the "Black Box Theater" inside the city community center, 1075 West Capitol Avenue. Performers will include Mick Martin, Lew Fratis, Mike McGowan and Cindy Tuttle, along with other guests. Refreshments and microbrews available for purchase. $10 donation; net profits will go to the parks department's fund to acquire a mobile stage. The show is at 8 p.m.

The show is in conjunction with an exhibit called "Rock and Radio Remembered," featuring memorabilia from the Sacramento Rock and Radio Museum. The exhibit at the community center will be curated by Dennis Newhall, a West Sacramento native. The exhibit will feature an opening reception the night of the concert (Feb. 7) and will be available for viewing during business hours through February.

Visit www.westsacfun.org.

Attention: seniors

You're invited to an organizational meeting of "What's Happening Seniors?," a new group dedicated to being active, making friends, sharing stories and finding out what's happening in the region.

Come to the meeting from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wed., Jan. 21, at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue. Free parking behind the library. Other transportation available from YoloBus, YoloBus Special Paratransit and the Senior Shuttle. Call 617-2288 for information.

Tree recycling

One way to recycle your (formerly) live Christmas tree is to take it to the Yolo County Landfill between Dec. 26 and Jan. 15. At no charge to you, the tree will be accepted and turned into mulch. Before dropping it off, remove all ornaments, tinsel, etc. Limit of two trees per customer.

You can recycle your old electronics devices (computers, TVs, etc.) as well as paper, plastics, cans and bottles every day at the landfill, 440900 C.R. 28H in Woodland. For more information, call (530) 666-8856 or visit www.yolocounty.org and select 'landfill' button.

The landfill is normally open Monday through Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays 9-5. It will be closed New Year's Day.

Plant an oak!

You're invited to help plant acorns and deergrass plugs in the center median at 2110 Enterprise Blvd. Show up from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Jan 17. Volunteers will receive snacks, hot cocoa and coffee. Bring gloves and bring a shovel or borrow one at the site. RSVP to Dena: denak@cityofwestsacramento.org.

Free shade trees

Attend a free city workshop about shade trees, and qualify for up to two free trees per year for the life of the program (depending on availability). The City of West Sacramento is giving from a stock of trees including Gingko biloba, bur oak, golden rain tree, Zelkova serrata, emerald sunshine elm and willow oak. Last workshop of the season is 6-7:30 p.m. on Wed., Jan. 14, at the community center, 1075 West Capitol Avenue.

To reserve a seat, call 617-4620 soon.

All things string

Do you knit, crochet, embroider or enjoy other 'fiber arts'? Bring your project or start something new in the crafting circle meeting 6 p.m. on the second Thursday and fourth Wednesday of each month at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue.

Evening book club

Books are collected and distributed at each meeting of this club, and the club meets next at 6 p.m. on Jan. 21 at the library, 1212 Merkley Avenue. Call Cindy, 731-5504, for more information.

New Chamber officers

The West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual awards dinner and officer installation ceremony from 5:30-9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan 15, at the city hall galleria. Attendees will welcome the new board of directors and new board chair, Jeff Savage of the River Cats.

Call 371-7042 or visit www.westsacramentochamber.com.

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